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1. The U.S. Army transport SS. General Sturgis, which arrived in Puerto Cabello, Venezuela, 2 September 1947, carried 155 persons listed as Spanish Republicans. It is estimated that fifty per cent of this group are of Polish, Russian, German, or other European nationalities who fought in Spain in the International Brigade.
2. This group stated on shipboard that they were members of the "Friends of the Spanish Republic Society." They were present at a meeting of this Society on 15 September 1947 in Venezuela. Dr. Simon Gomez Malaret, President of the Society; Miguel Otero Silva, a prominent Communist; and Pedro Bercoes, a reporter for one of the Venezuelan Communist newspapers, Ultimas Noticias, also attended this meeting. It is also believed that most of these so-called Spanish Republicans are Communists.

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